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SCBJE: AAPSO MEETING ON CYPRUS

1. "EMERGENCY MEETING" ORGANIZED BY AFRO-ASIAN PEOPLE'S SOLIDARITY ORGANIZATION (AAPSO) CONVENED JULY 29 IN CAIRO TO DISCUSS CYPRUS PROBLEM. IN MESSAGE WELCOMING PARTICIPATION PRESIDENT SADAT DEFINED THEIR TASK AS SUPPORTING THE STRUGGLE OF CYPRIOT PEOPLE TO MAINTAIN AUTONOMY AND NATIONAL UNITY, TO WORK FOR THE RETURN OF LEGITIMATE GOVERNMENT AND CONSTITUTIONAL SYSTEM APPROVED BY CYPRIOT PEOPLE, AND TO CHECK ANY AGGRESSIVE MILITARY INTERVENTION..." PRESIDENT STRESSED STRATEGIC IMPORTANCE OF ISLAND TO ARAB NATION, ME, AND TO WHOLE INTERNATIONAL "SITUATION". HE ADDED THAT EGYPTIAN AND ARAB PEOPLES RECALL "GREAT ROLE OF NATIONAL FORCES IN CYPRUS UNDER MAKARIOS' LEADERSHIP IN SUPPORT OF OUR STRUGGLE AGAINST AGGRESSION, IMPERIALISM AND ZIONISM" BY PROHIBITING AGGRESSIVE

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MILITARY FORCES FROM USING ISLAND (AS BASE) AGAINST US. HE

CONTINUED THAT ARABS ALSO RECALL "GREAT CONTRIBUTION OF THIS NATIONALIST LEADERSHIP TOWARD CONSOLIDATION OF PRINCIPLES OF NON-ALIGNMENT..." PRESIDENT CONCLCLED: "WE FIRMLY STAND FOR PROTECTION OF CONSTITUTIONAL SYSTEM AND LEGITIMATE GOVERNMENT OF CYPRUS, PROTECTION OF HER INDEPENDENCE AND TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY, AND NON-INTERFERENCE IN HER INTERNAL AFFAIRS..."

2. ACCORDING TO THE PRESS JULY 30, CONFERENCE MADE FOLLOWING "DECISIONS":

- A. CONDEMNED JULY :1 REACTIONARY COUP IN CYPRUS.
- B. UN SHOULD GUARANTEE IMPLEMENTATION OF JULY 20 SC RESOLUTION.
- C. MAKARIOS AND LEGITIMATE GOVERNMENT OF CYPRUS MUST BE RESTORED.
- D. CONFERENCE OPPOSES ALL EFFORTS TO DIVIDE CYPRUS.
- E. CLERIDES IS NOW INTERIM PRESIDENT UNTIL RETURN OF PRESIDENT MAKARIOS.

3. COMMENTPC WE NOTE THAT AAPSO SPECIFICALLY RECOGNIZES PRESIDENCY OF MAKARIOS. SADAT'S MESSAGE, HOWEVER, MENTIONED HIS NAME ONLY IN CONNECTION WITH HIS HISTORIC NATIONALIST ROLE.
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